



Belgrave St Bartholomew's Academy

March/April Newsletter 2015

Good news

- The Year 1 children performed at the Victoria Hall in a dance festival. The children did really well. Thank you to all the children who took part and to Mrs Wood for her hard work and patience. Our recorder group performed at the Recorder Festival and were shining stars. Thank you to Mrs Harrop and Mrs Wood for all your work with the group to make them play so well.
- Well done to Lybah Iqbal in Year 6 for being the first pupil to achieve the Gold Certificate for our Smiley reward system. This means she has managed to get 300 smileys through her work, attitude and helpfulness.
- We raised £404 for Comic Relief and were wowed by the childrens costumes during the day. Thank you for all your help to make this an enjoyable day.

SATS

Year 6 children will be taking their SAT exams in the week beginning the 11th May. Please try and ensure that the children are in school this week and that they are completing all their revision and homework between now and then. Year 6 are expected to come into school in the morning of the 7th May (General Election Day)

Staffing update

Mr Greenhalgh and Mr Bowler have both been successful in securing promotions in other schools and will leave at Easter. I would like to thank them both for all their hard work and support and wish them every success in the future. Mrs Goodwin, who worked in Year 5 last year will replace Mr Greenhalgh. Mrs Smith, who has returned from maternity leave, will work in Year 3 alongside Miss Cerioni and Mr Steele.

Parking

I was contacted by the police last week as parking is still an issue and they are receiving complaints about how and where some parents park. I have attached a letter from the police to this newsletter and also a link to the Youtube clip which I sent previously showing why we ask parents to park responsibly -

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ExYHht0Yg14> – Keep us safe on yellow lines.

Reminders

PE kits must be brought into school on Monday of each week. A number of children are forgetting their kits. PE kit is the yellow PE top, black or navy shorts/tracksuit bottoms and black pumps(indoor) and trainers (outdoor).

Summer uniform – as the weather starts to get warmer (HOPEFULLY!) can we remind parents of the summer uniform. Girls can wear a gold/yellow summer dress and polo shirts should be gold with the school badge on. Children are not allowed to wear trainers or open-toed sandals. It is also advisable for children to bring a summer cap with them to wear on hot days.

Dates for the Diary

Before Easter

- **Parents Evening (school closes at 2 pm) Monday 30th March 2015-** Please make every effort to attend your appointment as this is a valuable opportunity to speak to your child's teacher about their work and progress
- 30th March – Egg decorating competition – please bring decorated hard boiled eggs into school on this morning
- 31st March – Learning Outcomes afternoon
- 1st April – Foundation Stage and Key Stage One Easter Bonnet parade at 1.15 pm (weather permitting.) Parents are welcome to join their children on the walk and ALL parents are invited into the hall from 2.15 onwards for a hot cross bun and biscuits and to view all the decorated eggs.
- 2nd April – Three J's performance during Easter Service – 9.00 am
- Easter Holidays – School Closes for pupils on Thursday 2nd April 2015 at normal time and re-opens on Monday 20th April.
- We will be holding an Easter egg raffle during the last week of term. Raffle tickets are 25 pence a ticket.

Summer Term

- General Election – Thursday 7th May 2015 – School will be closed for pupils on this day as the main school hall will be used for voting. Year 6 are expected to attend in the morning for revision sessions
- Week beginning 11th May – Year 6 SATS week
- Friday 22nd May - School closes for Half term
- Monday 1st June 2015 – School opens
- School Sports Days to be arranged in week beginning 15th June – details to follow.
- 10/7/15 – Annual Reports to parents
- 10/7/15– Y6 Prom
- 13/7/15 – Parents evening
- 17/7/15 –Leavers service am
- 17/7/15 – School closes at 2pm